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I have read the Secretary of Interior Ken Salazar's letter to the tribal leaders concerning the consultation sessions designed to discuss the best process for meeting the President's charge for greater consultation. We agree with your effort and will continue giving valuable input.

We agree that there must be a strong bond, must be open channels of communication.

We will continue to work as the tribe on the sacred sites traditional grounds that we continue to use for our subsistence.. We need to work in the fact that we will not be the only ones that this will concern as there are generations and generations behind us and generations and generations ahead of us that will be sharing the same concern. All communications must concern the future as well as our history.

This policy is really good as the turnover of Forest Service personnel has been very detrimental to all of us.

Thank you very much Mr. Salazar, we do appreciate the open door policy that we hope to continue to enjoy. We shall endeavor to continue in good faith the policy and consultation that has been started.

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Councilman
Louie Wapet Jr.